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## ALL EYES ON BIG CONTEST

Grant Park, Chicago, Is the Scene Today of American Olympic Games—Four Great Sprinters Will Take Part in Races

Chicago, June 28.—Those who follow the activities in track and field athletics will turn their eyes toward Chicago today, where American Olympic games were opened at Grant park. The long list of events scheduled to be run off between today and the closing of the meet on July 6, embrace almost every conceivable athletic contest and the entrants in the various events form a "Who's Who" in American athletics. Prominent athletes from all over the United States and Canada as well as several of the point winners from Sweden who participated in the last Olympic meet at Stockholm are on hand to display their prowess on the cinder track and field. A skating tournament on a grassed slide, swimming and diving contests in the pool which has been dug in the center of the field, trap shooting, polo-games and other equestrian contests are some of the novel features which will supplement the regular events.

The preliminary trials in the championship contests for the school children of Chicago were started on Thursday and the finals will be held this afternoon. In the competitive drills, marching, calisthenics and similar events over fifty thousand of Chicago's school children are entered. The two Sundays which occur during the meet have been set aside for the Swedish and German singing societies, the Swedish societies holding their exercises tomorrow, while the Germans will have their day on the following Sunday.

Three crowning event of the meet comes next Saturday when the A. A. U. senior championships for the United States will be held. Some of the best men in the country will appear in the various events, including some of the point winners in the International Olympic games of last year.

In these championships the stars from New York and the Atlantic seaboard generally, will be forced to the limit in the rush for first honors. The pick of the Southern, Western, Middle western and Canadian athletic organizations, all of whom trained to the minute, will make their presence known in the finals of the various events.

It is not known what the West will produce in the sprints, but the problem is not giving the Eastern experts much concern, for they have it that even if nobody shows speed west of Lake Erie, there is material enough in the East for one of the best races ever seen in the 100 yards.

Four sprinters who are likely to toe the starting line are Howard Drew, the colored boy from Springfield High School, holder of the championship, Alvan T. Meyer, of the Irish American A. C., who ran a close second a year ago, Donald Lippincott, of the University of Pennsylvania, the intercollegiate furlong champion and record holder, and the newest and most sensational performer of the string, A. S. Robinson, of Mercersburg Academy, who is billed to carry the unicorn of the Boston A. C.

The 220-yard run will, if anything, be more interesting than the "century." Practically the same men will fight it out in the furlong, while there is every possibility that some new and startling material will appear from the woods. At the last intercollegiate Lippincott won in the world's record time of 21 1/5 seconds. That there will be fast work in the 440 yards seems certain. Tom Halpin, Boston A. C., the present champion, is undergoing a special preparation, so that he may be in the best possible shape to retain his title. He won last year in 49 2/5 seconds, but there is every chance that whoever wins it this time will have to pick his strides much faster.

All this, of course, provides Ted Meredith and young Robinson appear on the starting line. That Meredith can beat 49 seconds any afternoon he strips there is not the slightest question, and more than once Robinson is reported to have shown even faster time than the Olympic champion.

There may be others in the hunt, but a man who can show 48 3/5 seconds in a handicap event, like Meredith did recently, might reasonably fancy himself to be safe in the best of company. Meredith may not start in the quarter mile and reserve himself for the 880 yards, which is his favorite distance.

Sheppard, of the Irish American A. C., won the half mile last year in 1:57 2/5, and behind him in the order named were D. S. Caldwell, of the

## EVERY QUARTER OF THE UNITED STATES REPRESENTED AT NATIONAL EVENT



Three of the most sensational athletic performers of the east who will compete in the National Amateur Athletic Union championships next week at Chicago. The upper pair, from left to right, are: Abel R. Kiviat, champion and favorite in the one

mile race; "Ted" Meredith of the University of Pennsylvania, who may so after the quarter mile and half mile titles. Below is shown Hannes Koehe, the great Finnish long distance runner of the Irish American A. C., who has the five-mile championship and record at his mercy.

Boston A. A. and H. Frick, of the New York A. C. Sheppard is trying to regain his old form, but whether he will be successful only time can tell.

Caldwell is ready for the fray again, and the presence of Meredith puts a new aspect on the competition. Will Meredith complete? People ask, in a nomination by the Middle Atlantic association.

The men from the East who will try in the mile should make it highly interesting. There will be Kiviat, Powers and Taber. Powers came over from Boston a week ago for the "Mayo Mile," and he surprised every one by running Kiviat off his feet. The Boston man came home first in the good time of 4 minutes 21 3/5 seconds.

Matt McGrath and Pat Ryan, both of the Irish A. C., will go West for the hammer and 56 pound weight. They seem to outclass all others, especially in the hammer. The interesting part of the competition will be the contest between McGrath's world record of 187 feet 4 inches. Matt has now mastered the triple turn, but it is singular that he has not yet thrown as far as he did when he was at his best with the double turn. Pat McDonald, also of the Irish dub will take a try at the "56." The intercollegiate championships will be run off on Wednesday and will be run off the colleges have entered many of their teams in these contests. Their teams in these contests. The intercollegiate championships will be run off on Thursday and entries from 2,000 high school and preparatory school athletes have been received. Friday will play a prominent part. Athletics will play a prominent part. The

## BASE RUNNING IS BIG FACTOR

In these days of such close competition for pennants in the major leagues and the resulting opportunity for the winner in each league to pick up large numbers of good American dollars, base running has developed one of the most fascinating and attractive sides of the great national pastime.

There is no set rule for running bases. To be successful, the runner must be fast, must know the weakness of the opposition, must be quick to take advantage of the least slip, must be resourceful and last, but not least, must have the nerve. Base running today does not consist simply in stealing bases. Should an outfielder be a trifle slow in handling a hit into his territory or should the batter know that the outfielder's arm is not as strong as it might be, men of the Cobb-Collins-Milan type frequently do not stop at first but more often grab off an extra base, and plays of this nature when successful made do much to disconcert the defense.

Men who have reputations as fast

and daring base runners have a big advantage in batting. It is interesting to watch infield plays on a man like Cobb. The ball must be handled very fast and any kind of a slip means that the batter will reach first base, to say nothing of the probabilities of his advancing. The hurried handling of the ball when a man like Ty is at the bat is a big advantage to the batter, and he unquestionably has scored many runs for his team because of the hasty handling of his taps to the infield.

Once one of these dare-devil base runners gets on the bases he is of inestimable help to his team mates following him at the bat. When players of the Cobb-Collins-Milan type are on the bases, there is no telling just what they will try to pull off and this feeling of uncertainty has its effect on the opposition. The infielders move about nervously, the pitcher tosses in vain to the base to intimidate the runner, and the catcher awaits anxiously the pitch to the bat-

ter. It is nerve-racking to the defense.

This attention drawn to the base runner means that the defense is using just that much energy in disposing of the batter. Such things do not show in the averages, but they do show in the results. Baseball is after all a game of chance. An unexpected dash for the next base may sometimes seem reckless, and yet the teams which take these chances profit in the long run, because these plays are frequently turning points in diamond battles.

## LIGHTWEIGHTS TRAINING HARD

San Francisco, June 27.—With the Rivers-Ritchie championship bout just one week from today, fight fans are beginning to smoke up and the training camps of the gladiators are packed every day with curious ones who want to see how the lads shape up in

their gymnasium work. Large week-day crowds were on hand at both Rivers' and Ritchie's quarters this afternoon, and those who saw the lads work out were high in their compliments of the condition the boxers were displaying thus early in the proceedings.

"There is nothing in the talk that Ritchie is not in shape," said Trainer Harry Foley. "It's all nonsense to say that he is too light, is worried or is not in condition. Fourth of July he will be in the best condition of his career. It is really a joke to say Willie is not fit. He's better now than he ever was, and I believe his condition will be still better when he enters the ring."

Ritchie sparred six rounds today and did not appear in the least worried over the reports of his inferior form. He had the gloves on for a two-round session with Joe Azaveda, Henry Hickey and Eddie Miller. Ritchie worked fast and was not in the least fatigued as a result of his gymnasium labors.

The work of Joe Rivers out at the Seal Rock house continues to impress the local fans, and although Ritchie will undoubtedly be favorite over the little Spaniard when the pair enter the ring next Friday, the chances are that the odds will not lengthen out any on the champion. At present Ritchie is 10 to 8 over Rivers, and wise judges of prices say that this price is almost sure to remain.

The challenger boxed six rounds this afternoon and he went at top speed in each of the sessions. Joe had for opponents Harry Baker, "Young" Huddy and "Pug" Cove, and he handed them all some real rough treatment. More than once during Rivers' bout with "Young" Huddy, it looked as though Joe would drop his opponent, but he always slowed up a bit when things looked very black for Huddy.

"I surely expect my man to win," said Manager Levy. "If I didn't, I would not have matched him with Ritchie. I certainly know that I have the next lightweight champion of the world, and, believe me, he's going to be the lightweight king for a long time."

## LAJOIE WILL DO AS IS DIRECTED

Cleveland, June 28.—The announcement of Birmingham of the Cleveland American league club that he intended to bench Napoleon Lajoie, second baseman of the team, has precipitated a feud between Lajoie and Birmingham which breathes the success of the club, President Somers admitted here today. Lajoie, sore at heart over being made what he terms a "bench warmer" when he is still able to play, is said to have appealed to Somers for reinstatement as a regular.

President Somers talked with Manager Birmingham over the long distance telephone today. Afterwards he announced that trouble in no way menaced Birmingham's position as manager and that he will continue to direct the team as he sees fit. Lajoie will continue with the team as a player, he said. He added that he understood that the second baseman, reconsidering previous declarations he had made, says that he will do as directed by Birmingham.

## NO MORE EXTRA PAY FOR SOLDIERS

Washington, June 28.—Although U. S. army officers detailed as chief or assistant chiefs of the Philippine constabulary have been receiving ten per cent extra pay for "foreign service" for the last ten years they have not been entitled to the gratuity by law, according to Assistant Comptroller of the Treasury Warwick, who today ordered the practice stopped.

The question was raised by the auditor for the war department and Mr. Warwick criticised previous auditors for not submitting the proposition to the comptroller. He did not decide whether the officers must return the additional pay.

Officers of the junior grades are usually assigned to the constabulary at increased pay the chief receiving the compensation of a brigadier general and an assistant that of a colonel. Unlike army officers on duty in Philippines, Mr. Warwick held that they were not entitled to any additional increase of ten per cent, because their duties were civil.

## No Immediate Relief.

Washington, June 28.—No immediate relief for the middle west; but cooler weather today and tomorrow in the east. That was the weather bureau's only answer today to the numbers of heat prostrations reported during the last twenty-four hours.

"The weather is not unreasonable, and is not breaking any records," said Forecaster Frankfield. "July is really the worst month of the year though most people don't think so. It's midsummer and everybody must expect midsummer weather for awhile."

## Go to Beach and Parks.

Cleveland, O., June 28.—Last night was the hottest of the year and thousands crowded the beach and parks.

## HEAT CLAIMS THREE MORE

Prostrations Are Numerous in Chicago and Ambulances Kept Busy—Winter Weather in Duluth Brings Out the Overcoats and Furs

Chicago, June 28.—A gentle breeze from the lake today gave some relief to the people of Chicago and inspired the belief that the heat wave had been broken.

There was a drop in temperature of three degrees between 9 o'clock this morning and noon. At the latter hour the official thermometer registered 85 degrees.

Three more deaths reported today brought the heat mortality up to thirteen. Prostrations have been numerous and ambulances have been kept busy responding to calls.

## Duluth Is Very Cold.

Duluth, Minn., June 28.—Street thermometers registered as low as 42 degrees at 6 a. m., but warmed up to 55 at 9 o'clock today, the coldest June 28 in years. Pedestrians were seen on the streets wearing last winter's overcoats and men and women in automobiles snuggled down in furs. A high wind off Lake Superior carrying in thick fog added to the chill.

## I Am For UTAH

Charity begins at home, so does thrift. The farmer who would buy elsewhere products that he raises himself would be called foolish if not worse. The same rule applies to everybody. The thrifty and prosperous state or nation is an exporter rather than an importer. Money to the commercial system what blood is to the human body—the life sustaining force. Any serious drain of either is more or less fatal. A man's duty is to build up his own community. He should begin with his home town, spreading out through his county, state and nation. No other course will succeed. The people of Utah should stand for Utah, first, last and all the time. If we don't look after our own interests, we will get lost in the shuffle. Other states are not worrying themselves about our welfare. WE STAND FOR UTAH.

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